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## Ex Parte

Marlene H. Dortch Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554

Re: In the Matter of 1993 and 1994 Annual Access Tariff Filing; CC Docket Nos. 93-193 and 94-65

Dear Ms. Dortch:

In its September 10, 2004 *ex parte* filing, Verizon demonstrated that a February 14, 1995 letter filing increased the price cap indexes ("PCIs") for the former Bell Atlantic companies and created \$1.6 million of headroom to offset the increase in Bell Atlantic's sharing obligation for the 1994-95 tariff period due to add-back. Verizon makes PCI changes through either letters or tariff filings. The following are three examples of PCI changes that were made by filing letters with the Commission rather than tariffs;

(1) In *Transport Rate Structure and Pricing*, 9 FCC Rcd 615, ¶ 37 (1994), the FCC required the price cap carriers to file price cap index changes to establish the Trunking Basket in letter filings separate from any tariff filing;

The changes adopted in this Order necessitate adjustments to the price cap indexes. Accordingly, we direct all LECs subject to the price cap rules to recalculate their price cap indexes pursuant to the decisions in this Order. The LECs should file such recalculated indexes with the Commission in a special filing not accompanied by rate changes. In addition, such recalculated indexes should be used as the basis of any price cap filing that changes rates of services in the trunking or traffic sensitive baskets.

Former Bell Atlantic filed the PCI changes in a letter on March 1, 1994.

(2) On July 1, 1999, Bell Atlantic filed changes to the PCIs in a letter filing to reflect the exogenous cost change for the final regulatory fee factor of 0.00121. The factor that Bell Atlantic had used for the 1999 annual filing, which took effect on July 1, 1999, was based on the FCC's proposed factor of 0.0012. Since Bell Atlantic did not file rate changes to reflect the slightly higher fee factor, it only filed index changes.

(3) On March 28, 1997, Bell Atlantic filed PCI changes in a letter to reflect revised common line support amounts for the NECA pool. Because the changes would be in effect prior to the annual access tariff filing, Bell Atlantic used the letter filing to establish the stepping off point for the index to be used in the 1997 annual access tariff tariff review plan filing

Attached are copies of the transmittal letters for these letter filings. This demonstrates that filing PCI changes through letters rather than tariff filings is the normal practice when no rate changes are proposed.

Sincerely,

/s/Joseph Mulieri

Attachment

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March 1, 1994

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Acting Secretary
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RE: Price Cap Trunking Basket Indexes Supplemental Tariff Review Plan Submission

The accompanying material is filed by Bell Atlantic on behalf of its operating companies in compliance with the Commission's <u>Second Report and Order</u> on Transport Rate Structure and Pricing Order (CC Docket No. 91-213) released January 31, 1994 and the Commission's <u>Order</u> in the Matter of Commission Requirements for Cost Support Material to be Filed with the 1994 Annual Access Tariff and Other Cost Support Material released February 18, 1994.

This filing is made under requirements of Price Cap regulation to establish initial indexes for the Price Cap Trunking Basket in compliance with provisions of the <u>Second Report and Order</u>. The initial Trunking Basket indexes for Bell Atlantic have been provided in the Supplemental Tariff Review Plan ("TRP") adopted in the Commission's Cost Support Order.

Paper copies and computer diskettes of the Supplemental TRP are being filed directly with the Tariff Division.

Acknowledgement and date of receipt of this filing are requested. A duplicate letter of transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

All correspondence and inquiries in connection with this filing should be forwarded to me at the above address or contact Maureen Keenan of our Washington Office at (202) 392-1189.

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March 28, 1997

William F. Caton Acting Secretary Federal Communications Commission 1919 M Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: Submission of Exogenous Cost Adjustments to the Price Cap Indices Pursuant to the Changes in Long Term Support due to Pay Telephone.

Dear Mr. Caton:

Attached are proposed revisions to Bell Atlantic's<sup>1</sup> Common Line Price Cap index reflecting the change of exogenous costs associated with the implementation of the latest NECA support amounts.<sup>2</sup> Since this change will be in effect prior to the effective date of the Annual Tariff Revision Letter, Bell Atlantic is filing this letter today to enable Bell Atlantic to use the appropriate stepping off point for the index to be used in the April 2, 1997 -- 1997 Price Cap Revisions Letter Filing. Bell Atlantic plans to perform a streamlined Transmittal filing April 8, 1997, which will be effective April 15, 1997, in which these calculations, documentation, appropriate rate changes and tariff pages will be included.

All support documentation for this letter filing is attached. Paper copies and computer diskettes updating Bell Atlantic's Tariff Review Plan (TRP) data are being filed concurrently with the Commission's Tariff Division.

The Bell Atlantic Telephone companies are Bell Atlantic-Washington, D.C., Inc.; Bell Atlantic-Maryland, Inc.; Bell Atlantic-Virginia, Inc.; Bell Atlantic-New Jersey, Inc.; and Bell Atlantic-Pennsylvania, Inc.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> NECA Letter dated January 13, 1997.

All correspondence and inquiries associated with this filing should be forwarded to Maureen Keenan, Director, External Affairs, at 1310 N. Court House Road, 4th Floor, Arlington, VA 22201. Ms. Keenan can be reached on (703) 974-6409.

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July 1, 1999

Magalie Roman Salas Secretary Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C.

## Re: Regulatory Fee Adjustment Exogenous Cost Filing

This letter is submitted in compliance with the FCC Order<sup>1</sup> released June 18, 1999, which updated the Regulatory Fee factors. In Bell Atlantic's June 16, 1999 submission of the Annual filing, Bell Atlantic reflected the factor of .0012 provided in the Further Rulemaking<sup>2</sup> In the Matter of Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 1999. The exogenous costs included in this filing reflect a change to the final Regulatory Fee factor of .00121. Bell Atlantic is reflecting this change in the Price Cap indices.

Support information as specified in Sections 61.49 of the Commission's Rules is attached. The support documentation contains Exogenous Cost Workpapers and Tariff Review Plan.

The original of this letter is being hand-delivered to the Secretary. In addition, a copy is being transmitted via the Internet to the Commission.

Report and Order, <u>In the Matter of Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 1999</u>. FCC 99-146.

Assessment and Collection of Regulatory Fees for Fiscal Year 1999, FCC 98-298, released December 4, 19989, FR 70090 (December 18, 1998) and FCC 99-44, released March 27, 1999, 64 FR 16661 (April 6, 1999).

All correspondence and inquiries in connection with this filing should be forwarded to Joseph M. Mulieri, Director, Federal Relations via facsimile on 202-336-7866 or by hand-delivery to 1300 I Street, NW, Suite 400 West, Washington, D.C. 20005.

## Attachments:

Cost Workpapers Tariff Review Plan